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Before the  
**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**  
Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of	)	
	)	
Acceleration of Broadband Deployment	)	<b>WC Docket No. 11-59</b>
Expanding the Reach and Reducing the Cost of	)	
Broadband Deployment by Improving Policies	)	
Regarding Public Rights of Way and Wireless	)	
Facilities Siting	)	

**REPLY COMMENTS OF CITY OF MONROE, OHIO REGARDING THE COMMENTS OF THE PCIA DOCKET**

**NO. 11-59 EXHIBIT B**

The City of Monroe, Ohio files these reply comments in response to the Notice of Inquiry ("NOI"), released April 7, 2011, to address comments submitted by PCIA regarding the FCC's WC Docket No. 11-59. Specifically, allegations by the PCIA include that the city has hired consultants that are obstructionist in their telecommunications related demands, require a full hearing for collocation, and require escrow funds to be replenished as the consultant draws them down.

The 2002 Wireless Telecommunication Facilities Zoning Regulations were adopted by the City of Monroe to address proper siting and to provide for the possible assistance of a consultant knowledgeable with industry standards. The City of Monroe Planning and Zoning Code does require a hearing process but, also provides for a waiver request for full compliance with code regulations. Most recently in February 2010, the Planning Commission approved a waiver request for an antenna and equipment changes located at 1501/1503 Greentree Road and 6250 Hamilton Middletown Road which did not require outside consultant assistance.



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Furthermore, the City of Monroe does require escrow accounts but, has not aggressively sought after minimum balance requirements for a number of years. For example, the tower account at 180 Breaden Drive has a minimal remaining balance of \$390.81. Our Finance Department is examining refunds on any accounts due to inactivity at any towers.

As with all zoning code regulations, changing conditions and city evolution often dictate a review of requirements or administrative modifications. The City is currently updating our Planning and Zoning Code with draft regulation recommendations to permit collocations outright with approval by administrative staff. Additionally, we are considering permitting additional height options in lieu of new tower locations, reducing notification requirements for new towers, and making new towers a conditional use instead of a special use permit process. The fee structure for the application will also be reviewed to make our fees competitive. Overall we have recognized the changing landscape of wireless communications with our community and our intent is to create a more efficient and a streamlined and process that provides for wireless telecommunication facility providers.

We respectfully request that the Commission disregard the comments filed by the PCIA and continue to permit the City of Monroe to ensure that our policies and procedures, which have been designed to protect our local interests, are continued.

Sincerely,

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